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Executive Director's Response to Sam R. Dillon dba Sam's Produce Farm's Exceptions Re: to the Administrative Law Judge's Proposal for Decision

Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality v. Sam R. Dillon dba Sam's Produce Farm

SOAH Docket No. 582-07-1206; TCEQ Docket No. 2004-0639-PST-E

Dear Ms. Castañuela:

Enclosed for filing is the original and eleven copies of the "Executive Director's Response to Sam R. Dillon dba Sam's Produce Farm's Exceptions to the Administrative Law Judge's Proposal for Decision."

If you have any questions or comments, please call me at (210) 403-4016.

Sincerely,

Xavier Guerra

Attorney

Litigation Division

Enclosure

cc:

Mr. Sam R. Dillon, Owner, Sam's Produce Farm, P.O. Box 254, Timpson, Texas 75975

Ms. Rebecca Clausewitz, Enforcement Division, TCEQ, MC R-13

Mr. Derek Eades, Waste Section Manager, TCEQ, MC R-10

Mr. Blas Coy, Public Interest Counsel, TCEQ, MC 103



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON	· §	
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PETITIONER	§	in the second of
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VS.	§	\mathbf{OF}
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SAM R. DILLON DBA SAM'S	§	·
PRODUCE FARM,	§	
RESPONDENT	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S RESPONSE TO SAM R. DILLON DBA SAM'S PRODUCE FARM'S EXCEPTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S PROPOSAL FOR DECISION

TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

COMES NOW, the Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ" or "Commission"), by and through a representative of the Litigation Division, and files this his Response to Sam R. Dillon dba Sam's Produce Farm's Exceptions to the Administrative Law Judge's Proposal for Decision. In support thereof, the Executive Director would show that Mr. Dillon has not provided exceptions to the Administrative Law Judge's Proposal for Decision, but has rather put forth arguments that Mr. Dillon could have made at the evidentiary hearing if Mr. Dillon had appeared. The information provided by Mr. Dillon does not request or suggest any changes to the Proposal for Decision nor does the information contain legal arguments to refute the Administrative Law Judge's recommendation that the Commission enter a default order against Mr. Dillon, deem as true the facts alleged by the Executive Director, and assess the requested penalty against and require certain corrective actions by Mr. Dillon.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director submits his Response to Sam R. Dillon dba Sam's Produce Farm's Exceptions, as more fully set forth above, and respectfully requests that each of Mr. Dillon's exceptions be denied.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 31st day of August, 2007, an original and eleven (11) copies of the foregoing The Executive Director's Response to Sam R. Dillon dba Sam's Produce Farm's Exceptions to the Administrative Law Judge's Proposal for Decision was filed with the Chief Clerk of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

I further certify that on this day a true and correct copy of the foregoing The Executive Director's Response to Sam R. Dillon dba Sam's Produce Farm's Exceptions to the Administrative Law Judge's Proposal for Decision was mailed to the following persons by the method(s) indicated:

The Honorable Roy G. Scudday Administrative Law Judge State Office of Administrative Hearings P.O. Box 13025 Austin, Texas 78711-3025 Via Facsimile and U.S. First Class Mail Facsimile: (512) 936-0730

Mr. Sam R. Dillon, Owner Sam's Produce Farm P.O. Box 254 Timpson, Texas 75975 Via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, Article Number 7004 2510 0003 9122 4833 and U.S. First Class Mail

Mr. Blas Coy Office of the Public Interest Counsel, MC 103 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087 **Hand Delivery**

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